## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. Douglas E. Arpert

:

v. : Mag. No. 20-6003 (DEA)

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ERIC BERNING, : **ORDER FOR A CONTINUANCE** 

This matter having come before the Court on the joint application of Philip R. Sellinger, United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (by Michelle S. Gasparian, Assistant United States Attorney), and defendant Eric Berning, (by Marco A. Laracca, Esq.), for an order granting a continuance of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter from the date this Order is signed through August 15, 2023 to permit defense counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation in this matter and to allow the parties to enter a plea before the Court pursuant to a signed plea agreement; and the defendant being aware that he has the right to have the matter submitted to a grand jury within 30 days of the date of his arrest pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(b); and eleven prior continuances having been entered; and the defendant, through his attorney, having consented to the continuance; and for good and sufficient cause shown,

IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT that this action should be continued for the following reasons:

(1) The parties have entered into plea agreement and need additional time to appear before the Court to enter the plea;

(2) The defendant has consented to the aforementioned continuance;

(3) The grant of a continuance will likely conserve judicial resources;

and

(4) Pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(h)(7), the

ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interests

of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

WHEREFORE, it is on this 14th day of June, 2023;

ORDERED that this action be, and it hereby is, continued from the date

this Order is signed through August 15, 2023;

ORDERED that the period from the date this Order is signed through

August 15, 2023 shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial

Act of 1974; and it is further

ORDERED that nothing in this Order or the application prompting it is a

finding or representation that less than 31 non-excludable days under

§ 3161(h) have expired.

HON. DOUGLAS E. ARPERT

United States Magistrate Judge

Form and entry consented to:

s/Michelle S. Gasparian

Michelle S. Gasparian

Assistant United States Attorney

s/Marco A. Laracca

Marco A. Laracca, Esq.

Counsel for Defendant, Eric Berning